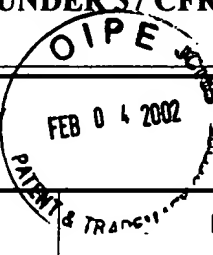


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
MDSP-P02-180

In Re Application Of: R. Austin and S. Shaughnessy



Serial No.  
09/491,982

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S. Prasad

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Invention: Osteoprosis Treatment

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of July 16, 2001 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☐ Two months    ☒ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: November 16, 2001    until: January 16, 2002  
*Date*    *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is \$460 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1945  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
☐ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 18-1945 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Dated: January 16, 2002

*Signature*

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on January 16, 2002 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

*Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence*

**Dawn Harmon**

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